

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO PROVIDE AGAINST THE PAYMENT OF WAGES IN SCRIPT,
ORDERS, ETC., PAYABLE OTHERWISE THAN IN MONEY, AND AGAINST SELL-
ING GOODS OR SUPPLIES TO EMPLOYEES AT EXCESSIVE PRICES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa :

SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, company or corporation to sell
2 give, deliver, or in any manner issue, directly or indirectly, to any person employed by him
3 or it, in payment of wages due for labor, or as advances on the wages of labor not due, any
4 script, token, check, draft, order, or other evidence of indebtedness, payable or redeemable
5 otherwise than in money. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be punish-
6 able by a fine of not less than twenty-five nor more than one hundred dollars, or imprison-
7 ment of not more than thirty days or both ; and the amount of any script, token, check,
8 draft, order or other evidence of indebtedness, sold, given, delivered or in any manner is-
9 sued, in violation of the provisions of this section, shall be recovered in money at the suit
10 of any holder thereof, against the person, firm, company, or corporation, selling, giving, de-
11 livering, or in any manner issuing the same ; *provided*, that nothing in this section shall
12 apply to any person, firm, company or corporation employing less than twenty men ; and
13 provided further, that nothing in this section shall apply to or effect the right of any person
4 or private individual from giving orders on any store, or business house, or firm, in the bus-
15 ness or profits of which he has no interest directly or indirectly.

SEC. 2 Whoever compels, or in any manner seeks to compel, or attempts to coerce an em-
2 ployee of any person, firm or corporation to purchase goods or supplies from any particular
3 person, firm or corporation, shall be fined not more than one hundred nor less than twenty
4 dollars, or imprisoned not more than sixty days, or both ; and whoever sells goods or sup-
5 plies of any kind, directly or indirectly, to his employee, or pays the wages of labor of his
6 employees in goods or supplies of any kind, directly, or through the intervention of script,
7 order, or other evidence of indebtedness, at higher prices than the reasonable or current
8 market value in cash of such goods or supplies, shall be liable to like punishment and penal-
9 ties above specified, and shall in addition thereto, be liable in civil action to the party ag-
10 grieved in double amount of any charges made for such goods or supplies in excess of the
11 reasonable or current market value in cash of such goods or supplies.